

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Mitsuhiro OSHIKI et al.  
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Title: MEDICAL IMAGING DIAGNOSIS APPARATUS  
AND MEDICAL IMAGING DIAGNOSIS METHOD  
Group: 3768  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 19, 2009, and further in response to the Advisory Action dated March 9, 2010, the period of response for which extension of time is requested in the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and filed concurrently with attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

**Amendments** to the abstract are on page 2;

**Amendments** to the claims begin on page 3;

**Remarks** are included beginning on page 12; and

**Authorization** is included on page 21.